

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare: that our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated near our names below; that we believe we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter of which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**DOOR PANEL ASSEMBLY**

which is described and claimed in the specification of which was filed on March 10, 2000, as United States Application Serial No. 60/188,973 and United Kingdom Provisional Application No. GB0024104.2 filed October 2, 2000; and that this application claims priority to United States Provisional Application 60/188,973, filed March 10, 2000 and to United Kingdom Provisional Application GB0024104.2, filed October 2, 2000..

I have reviewed and understand the contents of this specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that I do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof or patented or described in any printed publication, in any country before my invention thereof for more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve (12) months prior to this application; that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a); and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns except as follows:

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(e) of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate filed on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

Such applications have been filed as follows:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (month, day, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
United States	60/188,973	March 10, 2000	Yes <u>X</u> No <u>      </u>
United Kingdom	GB0024104.2	October 2, 2000	Yes <u>X</u> No <u>      </u>

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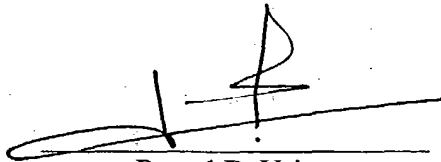
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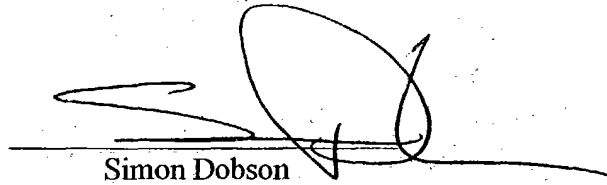
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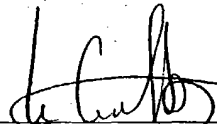


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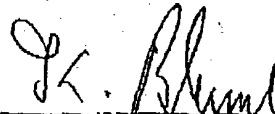
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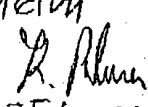
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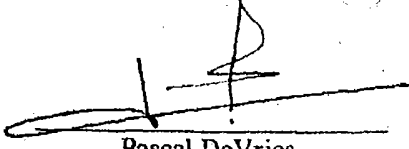
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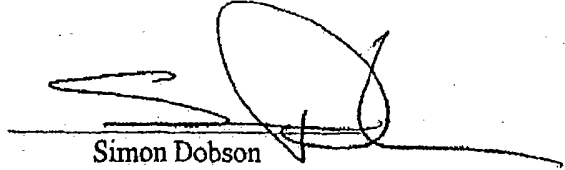
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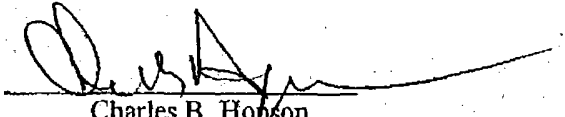
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